# IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA April 11, 2017 3:00-5:00 P.M. 107 LAB OF MECHANICS

**Present**: Day, T. (President-Elect); Derrick, T. (FDAR); Freeman, S. (CALS); Holger, D. (Associate Provost); Westgate, M (J&A, for Mike Owen); Rippke, S. (Parliamentarian); Martin, P. (RPA); Russell, D. (Human Sciences); Schaefer, V. (Engineering); Padgett-Walsh, C. (LAS); Sponseller, B. (Governance); Sturm, J. (President); Bigelow, T. (Acad Affairs); Wallace, R. (Past President); Wickert, J. (Senior VP and Provost); Zarecor, K. (Design)

## I. Call to Order

President Sturm called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

## II. Consent Agenda

#### A. Agenda, Executive Board Meeting April 11, 2017

B. Minutes, Executive Board Meeting March 28, 2017

Schaefer moved and Sponseller seconded to approve. Passed without dissent.

### III. Announcements and Remarks

#### A. President

President Sturm mentioned the Campus Leaders Breakfast on May 3, and asked for questions to be sent to him. He will create a farewell card to circulate for senators to sign at the next Senate meeting.

#### **B. President-elect** no remarks

#### C. Senior Vice President and Provost

Provost Wickert deferred initially to Ann Marie VanDerZanden who spoke on the LMS upgrade and its progress. On-campus demonstrations will occur as follows:

*Canvas* on 4/17 from 10-12 a.m. and *Desire2Learn* on 4/18 from 10-12. Each 2-hour block will involve a 1 hour presentation and 45 mins Q&A in Durham 206. On 4/19-20 product overviews are scheduled featuring each product's highlights and features. Overall, there will be 8 distinct times for faculty to provide input and experience the platforms. There will also be one session at the Vet-Med college. All RFP platforms are still under consideration, regardless of presentations.

Search updates: Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate College Dave Holger will retire this summer. His position will be split into two positions, for which searches are open at this time: Dean of the Graduate College and Associate Provost. Sarah Rayala will chair the search for Dean of Graduate college. Associate Provost position will be chaired by Dean Beth McNeil. Both are internal searches, seeking full professors with tenure and experience in the subject areas described in the postings. The Provost has had a phone conversation with Interim President Ben Allen, who will be on campus the week of 4/17 as special advisor to President Leath. He has been briefed on the Extension/Outreach Vice President and Vet-Med Dean positions. These will lag the Presidential search committee by 2-3 months at most. The new president will want to weigh in on the finalists for the cabinet team.

## **D.** Council Chair Reports

Academic Affairs: Senator Bigelow has heard no further reports or updates concerning discontinuing the Minors in Athletic Coaching and Sports and Recreation. Discussion ensued about when the program was removed from the catalogue, and whether or not there was Senate involvement in that decision. Faculty needed to teach the minor(s) are not well aligned with the programs, and so Kinesiology does not have faculty available to do this work well. The comment was made to advise Kinesiology that there is a process for taking things out of the catalogue. Holger: concerned about the process of a minor being dropped from the catalogue without Senate approval. Zarecor moved, Derrick seconded to move this process forward with our own editing to make it work. Freeman spoke against the motion, and the motion was withdrawn. (A post-meeting update brought improved and expanded rationales for each proposal to delete the minor, and the process will move forward to Senate immediately.)

## E. Caucus chair reports

Speaking for the CALS Caucus, Senator Freeman asked that Jim Kurtenbach communicate with CALS regarding plans for shared services across the Regent Universities, especially the IT aspect of them.

## **IV.** Unfinished Business

- A. Minor/Certificate in Data Science Senator Bigelow anticipates no surprises.
- **B.** Emeritus/a designations are likely to pass Senate next week. Senator Freeman asked for an amendment to clarify that full professors who have not been at ISU for 10 years *can* be nominated for the designation, but will not *automatically* be considered for it. Wallace seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.

# V. New Business

A. Who may file appeals. Senator Freeman stated that in FH section 9.1, we clarified that the four grounds for an appeal that were once in a narrative paragraph are now numbered. He added: "The burden of proof for documenting the grounds for the appeal is the responsibility of the appellant."

Section 9.2 makes substantive changes to the appeals process, trying to make the administrative appeal channel closer to the FSCA channel. Key issue is to maintain a point of discretion included in both appeals tracks. So, the Provost, if considering denying an appeal will need to consult

with the Senate President and Chair of the J&A Council to decide. If there is not consensus in this committee, the appellant has the right to appeal to the FSCA. Provost Wickert stated this is a shared governance issue and needs faculty leadership and approval. Without these, it should not go forward.

**B.** Senator Sponseller opened discussion on the Professor of Practice track, stating the intent is to mirror the Clinical Professor track in Vet-Med. He wants to ensure these changes are given time for faculty awareness and thought prior to approval. Discussion ensued about the disparities between Professor of Practice and Professor of Teaching.

Westgate/Zarecor moved to pass this designation to the full senate floor. In discussion of the motion, Senator Schaefer felt this was moving too quickly. The motion to move it forward failed in a 5-6 vote, but the idea was understood that this issue will be discussed again in the next EB meeting with the intent to be sure everyone is happy with it and move it forward then.

VI. Approval of the April 4, 2017 Faculty Senate Agenda Senators Padgett-Walsh and Bigelow moved to approve Senate Agenda. Passed unanimously.

### VII. Good of the Order

Senator Wallace shared that Regent McKibben will visit campus for a faculty shadowing day on 4/27. Lunch will be from 12 to 1:15. If interested, contact Senator Wallace.

**VIII.** Martin/Schaefer moved to go into Executive Session at 4:43. Executive Session ended at 5:27.

#### IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jonathan Sturm, President and Secretary Pro-Tem